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March 20, 2003

Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing to invite you to participate in a public workshop to discuss the proposed amendments to the "Tables of Maximum Incremental Reactivity (MIR) Values" (Title 17, California Code of Regulations, sections 94700 and 94701) for reactive organic compounds. As you may know, the California Air Resources Board (ARB) has adopted a regulation for reducing the ozone formed from aerosol coating emissions, by establishing reactivity-based VOC limits for 36 categories of aerosol coatings. These limits are based on the "Tables of MIR Values."

At the public hearing where the above regulation was adopted, the Board directed staff to review the "Tables of MIR Values" 18 months after the effective date of the amendments (July 18, 2001), and every 18 months thereafter, to determine if modifications to the MIR values are warranted. After considering new information that has become available and consultation with stakeholders, we are recommending that modifications to the "Tables of MIR Values" should be pursued.

The date and location of the meeting is:

Date: April 23, 2003
Time: 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
Location: Air Resources Board
Conference Room 550
1001 I Street, 5th Floor
Sacramento, California 95812

At the meeting, we will review the current MIR values, discuss the proposed changes to the "Tables of MIR Values," as well as the process for updating the "Tables of MIR Values." A meeting agenda and other relevant materials will be posted at <http://www.arb.ca.gov/research/reactivity/reactivitywhatsnew.htm> by April 4, 2003. A toll phone number will be also included in the agenda for those who are interested in participating by phone.

The energy challenge facing California is real. Every Californian needs to take immediate action to reduce energy consumption. For a list of simple ways you can reduce demand and cut your energy costs, see our Website: <http://www.arb.ca.gov>.

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We look forward to meeting and working with you as we develop the proposal. If you have any questions regarding the meeting, please contact Dr. Eileen McCauley, Manager, Atmospheric Processes Research Section, at (916) 323-1534 or emccaule@arb.ca.gov, or Dr. Dongmin Luo, Air Resources Engineer, Atmospheric Processes Research Section at (916) 324-8496 or dluo@arb.ca.gov.

If you have special accommodation or language needs, please contact Ms. Marlena Elliott, Secretary, at (916) 445-0753 or melliott@arb.ca.gov as soon as possible. TTY/TDD/STS users may dial 7-1-1 for the California Relay Service.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

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